

Troopers Arrest Rehoboth Beach Man for Assault



Matthew S. McDavid

Rehoboth Beach- The Delaware State Police have arrested a suspect after he ran a bicyclist off the road and assaulted him.

The incident occurred on Sunday, August 5, 2018 at approximately 11:12 a.m., when Troopers responded to the area of Plantation Road, south of Cedar Grove Road for an assault complaint. Upon arrival, Troopers made contact with a witness who advised he was driving on Plantations Road when he saw a

man beating a cyclist with an object, and immediately called 911.

The victim, a 50-year-old man from Milton, remained on scene and advised he was riding his bike on Plantation Road south of Cedar Grove Road when a white work truck got really close to him and almost ran him off the road. The subject then drove by him and blew a loud horn next to him while he was riding his bike. The victim became startled and punched the driver's side window of the truck, not causing any damage. The operator of the truck stopped his vehicle in the middle of the roadway, got out, and grabbed an object from the bed of the truck, and attempted to strike the victim in the head. The victim was able to block the object with his forearm, causing him to sustain a laceration. The victim declined medical treatment at the scene.

The operator of the truck fled the scene, and was subsequently located in the Heritage Village development. Troopers made contact with the driver, 33-year-old **Matthew McDavid**, who was standing by the vehicle. McDavid was subsequently taken into custody without incident.

The object used to strike the victim, a large black in color wire/cable was recovered from the truck.

McDavid was transported back to Troop 7 where he was charged with Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony, Assault Second Degree, and Unattended Motor Vehicle. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and released on \$3,001.00 unsecured bond.

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